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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Gordon Ray NELSON *et al.*
APPLICATION No.: 09/612,009
FILED: JULY 7, 2000
FOR: **AUTOMATED SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING
SYSTEM**

EXAMINER: Thomas J. Brahan
ART UNIT: 3652
CONF. NO: 7645

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Sir:

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on October 24, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please update the priority claims as shown on the attached Specification Sheet
Marked-Up to Show Changes.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 4, 16, 18, 22, 23, 26 and 27.

Please cancel claims 2, 6, 10, 15, 20, 21, 24, 25, 28 and 29.

Please add new claims 30-38.

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